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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Satoshi TSUDA Conf.: 2705  
Appl. No.: 09/899,097 Group: 1733  
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For: PNEUMATIC TIRE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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May 19, 2003  
(Monday)

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated December 18, 2002, the due date having been extending two months, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-4, 6 and 7.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A pneumatic tire comprising  
a tread portion with a pair of tread edges, and